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- 1. <u>Purpose</u>. This regulation establishes and prescribes the objectives, composition, responsibilities and authority of the Mississippi River Water Control Management Board.
- 2. <u>Applicability</u>. This regulation is applicable to the Board members and to all field operating activities concerned with water control management within the Mississippi River Basin.
- 3. Objectives. The objectives of the Board are:
- a. To provide oversight and guidance during the development of basin-wide management plans for Mississippi River Basin projects for which the Corps of Engineers has water control responsibilities.
- b. To serve as a forum for resolution of water control problems among Corps of Engineers Divisions within the Mississippi River Basin when agreement is otherwise unobtainable.
- 4. <u>Composition</u>. The Mississippi River Water Control Management Board is a continuing board consisting of the Director of Civil Works and Division Commanders serving in LMVD, MRD, NCD, ORD and SWD. The Director of Civil Works serves as permanent chairperson.
- 5. <u>Responsibilities</u>. The Board functions under the general direction of the Commander, HQUSACE, and is responsible for:
- a. Oversight of procedures for maintaining and improving inter-divisional coordination of water control management activities within the Mississippi River Basin.
- b. Oversight of the development and use of facilities (physical and computer models, automatic data processing equipment, and communications and information dissemination networks) needed to coordinate water control activities for Mississippi River Basin projects.
- c. Oversight of basin-wide water control management activities associated with Corps of Engineers projects in the Mississippi River Basin.

This regulation supersedes ER 15-2-13, 29 February 1988.

- d. Periodic reports and/or briefings to the Commander, HQUSACE, regarding the Board's activities and plans.
- 6. <u>Procedures</u>. The procedures used by the Board to carry out its responsibilities are as follows:
- a. The Board meets periodically to review past activities and project operations, and to discuss new or revised water control plans.
- b. The Board provides instructions to committees under its jurisdiction and reviews their recommendations for improvements in water control management.
- c. The Board provides the Commander, HQUSACE, with full information for a decision when major differences prevail among its members on highly important issues.
- 7. Committees. The Mississippi River Water Control Management Board is authorized to establish continuing or ad hoc inter-divisional operating or study committees comprised of Corps of Engineers personnel to facilitate the work of the Board. A standing committee comprised of the senior water control managers from the five Mississippi River Basin Divisions and the Chief, Hydraulics and Hydrology Branch in HQUSACE, who serves as chairperson, is established to advise and assist the Board. The committee meets whenever a need is determined by the Chairperson or identified by the Board, but at least annually to coordinate ongoing activities.
- 8. <u>Funding</u>. Routine activities of the Mississippi River Water Control Management Board and its committees, such as travel and meeting expenses, are funded by the separate members' offices using General Expense funds. Major expenses connected with special studies or activities are funded through the normal budgetary process. Budget requests will be supported by appropriate justification material.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

Colonel, Corps of Engineers

Chief of Staff